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I, Leo Kandel, do certify that I am a native of Austria and came to China on 20 March 1939. I was in Shanghai for about two months and then came to Peiping and have resided in and practiced my profession of dentistry in Peiping since that time.

During the period of my residence in Peiping up until the surrender of Japan opium was openly sold in Peiping with the consent of the Japanese controlled government. Heroin was also sold. The opium trade was open and catered to the Chinese. So far as the government could enforce the rule opium was not sold to Japanese. I am advised that even the hospitals gave morphine very freely to the Chinese patients -- a practice not applied to other patients.

It was perfectly obvious that the open sale of opium in China was approved and sponsored by the Japanese government for the purpose of weakening and undermining the strength of the Chinese people.

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The foregoing statement was made by Dr. Leo Kandel transcribed and signed in my presence this 23rd day of March 1946 at Peiping, China.

/s/ David Nelson Sutton, Associate Counsel, International Prosecution Section, Tokyo.